

Worldview, Theology, and You: Moving from Indoctrination to Life Change

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Background/Introduction: _____

Focal Passage: Colossians 2:1-10

Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ. (Colossians 2:8)

Deception's Three Weapons (v. 8)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Why do you believe what you believe?

- ☐ _____ Reasons
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How does the current *postmodern* climate influence our worldview?

Postmodernism in Historical Perspective

PRE-MODERN	MODERN	POST-MODERN

Then Versus Now

ARENA	MODERN	POST-MODERN

The Postmodern Worldview: What is GOOD and what is BAD**The Bad:**

- An emphasis on _____ & _____
- A pervasive movement toward _____ and not _____ (_____ - _____)
- The death of _____
- The abandonment of _____
- The epistemological dance between _____, _____, and _____
- An intensification of _____ - _____ religions and evangelical churches

The Good:

- The Church now holds the _____ in our culture.
- An opportunity to do more _____ (apologetics opportunities?)
- We are forced to examine our own _____.
- The exaggerated claims about _____ have been dethroned.
- The realignment and repositioning of _____ and _____ will have positive benefit. (remnant principle?)

Given the current climate, how can we develop and implement a consistent biblical worldview?

Five Steps in the Worldview Process

1. _____ with the Bible.
 - Study the Bible in its literal-grammatical-historical context.
2. _____ Scripture with Scripture.
 - Scripture best interprets itself.
3. _____ a clear belief statement.
 - What does the Bible teach about.....?
4. _____ the world's truth claims through the lens of the Bible.
5. _____ what you have learned to your own life. Goal= _____ !